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2012: A YEAR IN REVIEW

Our first issue of 2013 looks back on last year's changes and achievements in the JMU community. We look forward to bringing you more stories in 2013.

JANUARY

Old hospital houses classes
Duke Hall's renovation (which is set to be completed in fall of 2014) resulted in relocating JMU's department of communications and marketing, the studio art and art history department and other general education classes to the east wing of the former Rockingham-Memorial Hospital. The building is known as Montpelier Hall.



MARCH

Women's basketball reaches WNIT finals
Snubbed by the NCAA selection committee, an empowered JMU women's basketball team went on an unexpected tear through the National Invitational Tournament. Head coach Kenny Brooks' players staged upset after upset, right up until losing the championship game at Oklahoma State 75-68. The extended postseason play allowed the 2011-2012 team to pile up a school-record 29 wins.



APRIL

Gandhi's grandson
The Gandhi Center for Global Nonviolence invited Mahatma Gandhi's grandson, Arun, to discuss Gandhi's legacy of nonviolence.



APRIL

Rose Library
The Board of Visitors voted to rename the East Campus Library the Rose Library after President Linwood Rose retired from his presidency.



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MARCH

Chandler bus crash
A Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation bus crashed through the bus shelter next to Chandler Hall. There were no major injuries.



FEBRUARY

Alumnus wins Super Bowl commercial
Graduate Jonathan Friedman won \$1 million in the Doritos "Crash the Super Bowl" contest for his \$20 commercial, "Man's Best Friend."

APRIL

Cheerleading champs
The JMU cheer team took home the championship in the Intermediate Co-ed Division of the National Cheerleading Association National Championships. JMU scored an 8.620, beating second-place University of Michigan, which scored 8.400.



JUNE

Rose on U.Va. board
During his last week as JMU's president, Linwood Rose was appointed as a Board of Visitors member at the University of Virginia. He serves as co-chair of the Special Committee on Strategic Planning, on the board's Education Policy Committee and the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee, among others.

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Five Newtown students to speak

Monday night candlelight vigil to commemorate victims and support families

By JEN EYRING
The Breeze

After the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, a JMU fraternity wanted to show students from Newport the university's community was behind them.

Delta Upsilon Fraternity is holding a candlelight vigil for those killed during the Sandy Hook shooting. The event will be on Monday at 5:30 p.m. on the commons.

Tim Nelson, the vice president of Academic Excellence of DU, led the planning for the event. He said he and his brothers wanted to show the JMU students who are from Newtown, Conn. that the community will support them.

Nora Murphy, a freshman psychology major, will be one of five students from Newtown speaking on Monday. She said it's still surreal to hear people talking about her town.

"Before all this happened, Newtown was practically invisible," she said. "Whenever I introduced myself and said where I was from, I would constantly get a 'Where is that?' in response. Nobody will ever say that again."

Even though Murphy didn't attend



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Alex Thompson, a freshman nursing major, signs a banner sponsored by the Delta Upsilon Fraternity. It will be sent to Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, Conn.

Sandy Hook, she was very close with one of the boys who was killed and that she was good family friends with one of the teachers. But she explained that this was usual in Newtown because of how small it is. She said she's proud and grateful for their effort.

"It's impossible to not know someone who was affected," she said. "Every single person was connected in some way."

Nelson said that the fraternity wanted to host the event because they knew the students from Newtown didn't have the resources to put on an event like this by themselves.

"We know that we have the power to facilitate something like this, but we have taken the backseat because it's really for them," Nelson said.

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Harrisonburg schools to expand safety measures

Guarded entrances, changes to elementary school security expected after Sandy Hook shooting

By ERIC GRAVES
The Breeze

Harrisonburg school board officials are meeting with local residents and police to discuss changes in security policies and precautions in the wake of the Sandy Hook shooting.

Scott Kizner, superintendent of the Harrisonburg School District, said some of the proposed changes for the five elementary schools, two middle schools and high school include increased police presence and alterations to the layout of the schools.

"If you ask any school official, they will tell you that school safety is always a concern," Kizner said.

Three of the eight Harrisonburg schools built after 2005 are designed so that all of the main entrances pass through or near the school's office. Kizner said this layout is helpful in identifying people as they enter the building.

On Dec. 14, Adam Lanza, 20, entered the Sandy Hook

Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., and fatally shot 20 children and six adults. It was the second-deadliest school shooting in American history after the Virginia Tech shooting in 2007.

"It's a critical way to make sure that people entering the school are seen, recognized and given the proper visitor's pass," Kizner said.

The remaining five schools have placed staff members at the main entrance. Kizner said they aren't meant to apprehend an intruder but identify and guide unknown visitors to the front office.

Kizner plans to meet with the Harrisonburg school board on Friday to discuss a proposal to rebuild the entryways of these five schools to go directly to the main offices.

In addition, Harrisonburg schools employ the use of Safe and Orderly Committees at each school that focus on behavioral issues in schools through teaching.

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IF YOU WERE BORN TODAY:

There's plenty of action at work for the first half of the year, and your communication skills keep it flowing. Pamper yourself to balance. Time with family, friends and partners takes on higher priority after June. Master teamwork and share the load to grow opportunities.



CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You can solve the puzzle. Follow the money and the paper trail. Let someone else help you with the structure. A lovely bonus comes your way.



AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Form a new partnership, and figure out how to work smarter. Inspire your team to action. Self-esteem grows. Have a great time.



PISCES

(Feb. 19-March 20)

There's potential for career advancement. It would make life easier. Listen carefully. Go with the most practical option.



ARIES

(March 21-April 19)

After hammering it out, get the deal in writing to get started. Make sure someone is tending the store. Discover something that rings true.



TAURUS

(April 20-May 20)

Begin the implementation phase to follow through on a promise. Learn by doing. Everything counts.



GEMINI

(May 21-June 20)

Get the facts. Balance your checkbook and revise the budget. Complete an obligation and make new agreements.



CANCER

(June 21-July 22)

There's a breakthrough or breakdown at work. Create your own opportunities. Go over the instructions again. Be patient.



LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22)

Finish a job to gain points with an important person. You get more of a boost than expected. Discover wealth nearby. You're radiant!



VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Friends give support and a stroke of brilliance. You don't want to go anywhere. Be passionate in life.



LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You're exceptionally intelligent now. Write down a brilliant insight, create a new income source and search out additional benefits. Soak up the good news.



SCORPIO

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Costs can vary widely. Get solid ideas. Consult a professional. You've been holding back, but the way ahead is clear.



SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

It's OK if you don't have it all figured out. Your work reflects well on you. Evolve into your own ideals. Assume responsibility.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

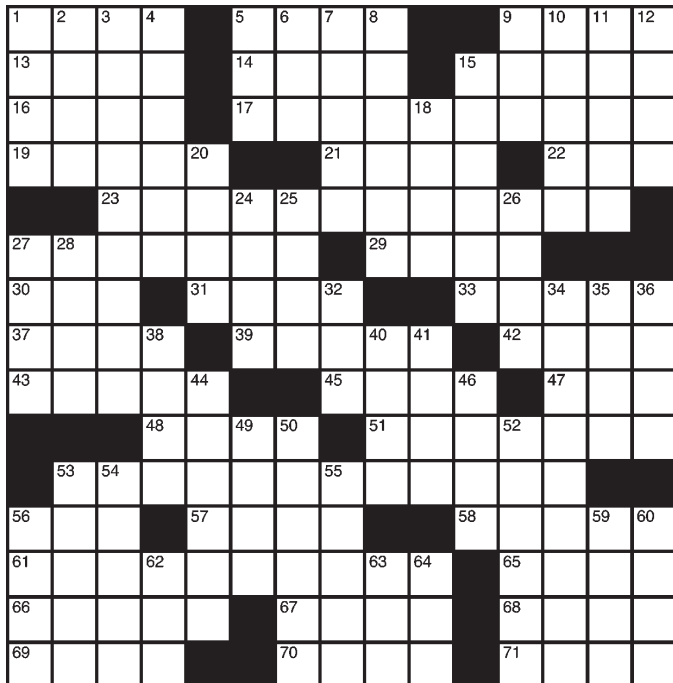
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ACROSS

- 1 Jon of "Mad Men"
5 Site of the volcano Olympus Mons
9 Mosque official
13 Double Stuf treat
14 Downwind
15 Hells Canyon is on its western border
16 Switch from a bottle to a cup, say
17 "Design pattern on some Irish crosses
19 "Migrant Mother" photographer Dorothea ____
21 Q7 automaker
22 Mop & ____
23 "Not surprising
27 Carpenter's accessory
29 Event in many 30-Across
30 Newspaper inserts
31 Tizzy
33 Church leader
37 Stray
39 Monetary interest
42 Retailer Strauss
43 Use a lever on, as a floorboard
45 Org. with bowls
47 Chem cousin
48 Rainbow goddess
51 Battery partner
53 "Ready to come clean
56 Place for a ring
57 Have on
58 Vague
61 "Got some gumption
65 Bog down
66 Voice of the difficult homeowner in "Up"
67 Chief Justice Warren
68 Told about, as a secret
69 Try to lose
70 Apothecary's measure
71 Soufflé essentials

DOWN

- 1 Bay in the woods



By Jennifer Nutt

- 2 Zone
3 "Intend when speaking
4 Genghis Khan, notably
5 Jobs creation
6 Sierra Nevada, e.g.
7 "Calm down"
8 Frame jobs
9 Textspeak disclaimer
10 Itchy canine ailment
11 "Get ____ of yourself!"
12 Fictional detective skilled in judo
15 Wintry spike
18 It might just come to you
20 Subsides
24 Geologic times
25 Way out
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40 Heat energy meas.
41 "No problem"
44 Like 1930s prices
46 "Yeah, right!"
49 Middle of March
50 Lathered (up)
52 Breakdown of social norms
53 Ankle bones
54 Damaging 2011 East Coast hurricane
55 Tuck's title
56 "Zounds!"
59 Pirate's brew
60 Longings
62 In the water
63 Second Amendment backer: Abbr.
64 Slippery ____

NATION & WORLD

Senator threatens to block CIA nominee

McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Sen. Lindsey Graham threatened Tuesday to block Senate consideration of President Barack Obama's nominee to head the CIA in retaliation for the Obama administration's failure to provide more details about the Sept. 11 attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya.

The South Carolina Republican's threat to place a hold on the nomination of John Brennan as CIA director raises doubts about a second senior national security leadership pick by Obama, with several senators already questioning former Sen. Chuck Hagel's qualifications to be defense secretary.

Graham, a Senate Armed Services Committee member who served as a military lawyer in Iraq and Afghanistan, also voiced concerns about Hagel, a former Republican senator from Nebraska who was nominated Monday. But Graham indicated likely support for Obama's pick of Sen. John

Kerry, a Massachusetts Democrat, to be secretary of state.

Criticism over the Benghazi assault, which killed four Americans, from Graham and fellow Republican Sens. John McCain of Arizona and Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire contributed to U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice's decision last month to withdraw her name for consideration as secretary of state.

Graham brought up Rice again Tuesday in explaining why he is weighing a block of Brennan's nomination to head the CIA.

"I have not forgotten about the Benghazi debacle and still have many questions about what transpired before, during and after the attack on our consulate," Graham said in a prepared statement.

"In that regard, I do not believe we should confirm anyone as director of the CIA until our questions are answered — like who changed Ambassador Susan Rice's talking points and who deleted the references to al-Qaida?" Graham said. "My support for a delay in confirmation is not directed at Mr. Brennan, but is an unfortunate, yet necessary action to get information from this administration."

Tunisia frees lone suspect in Benghazi attacks

McClatchy Newspapers

CAIRO — Tunisian authorities on Tuesday released the only man held so far in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks in Benghazi that killed U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans, according to the suspect's lawyer, reaffirming fears that the Libyan-led investigation into the deaths is foundering.

Authorities extradited Ali Harzi, a 26-year-old Tunisian, from Turkey last fall, saying they "strongly suspected" that he had been involved in the attacks. But he was released Tuesday after a Tunisian judge agreed with his lawyer that there was not enough evidence to hold him.

Col. Abdel Salem Ashour, the Libyan official in charge of the investigation, said that his investigators had not talked to Harzi before his release and that he had learned of Harzi's release from news reports only after it had taken place. He said he was still waiting to learn the details of what took place from Tunisian officials.

Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., said that Tunisian authorities had

obstructed the investigation, preventing the FBI from questioning Harzi until last month.

"I have every reason to believe that Harzi was involved in the attack," Wolf said. "For months following the attack, the Tunisian government blocked the FBI from interviewing Harzi. Now Harzi walks the streets of Tunisia a free man — facing no consequence for his role in the attack.

"Keep in mind that, since 2011, the American government has given \$320 million in taxpayer dollars to the Tunisian government," Wolf added. "I find it morally wrong to support a country that has obstructed FBI efforts to bring these terrorists to justice."

According to Ashour, roughly 70 attackers stormed the U.S. consulate compound and set the buildings inside ablaze. But Ashour said video from U.S. surveillance cameras was not clear enough to allow positive identification of suspects. Stevens died of smoke inhalation and carbon monoxide poisoning while hiding in a safe room. Sean Smith, a State Department information management officer, also died in that building.

The FBI did not respond immediately to a request for comment.

College hosts shooting emergency training

Los Angeles Times

SAN DIEGO — The gunman stalked the dormitory halls yelling, "I'm going to kill somebody," pounding and kicking on doors, and firing his weapon in the air.

The resident assistants remembered their training: Turn off the lights, barricade the doors with chairs and tables, lie flat on the floor, push back if the killer tries to bust in, or jump out a window if it isn't too high.

The drama was all staged but with a life-saving purpose Tuesday as a dormitory at San Diego State University became a stand-in for Columbine High School, Virginia Tech, Sandy Hook Elementary and the engineering building on the campus here — all scenes of deadly rampages.

Two-dozen people from colleges and schools throughout Southern California came to campus for a two-day session with the chillingly modern title of Active Shooter Response Training.

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JULY

Alger starts

Jon Alger officially began his position as the sixth president of JMU. Previously, he was the senior vice president and general counsel at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. Alger also helped coordinate two university admissions lawsuits in the U.S. Supreme Court while working at the University of Michigan before his time at Rutgers.



AUGUST

Bioscience building opens for classes

The continuing expansion of East Campus received a new addition with the opening of the Bioscience building, a \$33 billion project with four classrooms and 13 lab rooms. The new building allowed for concentrated and specific facilities for biology students and shows JMU's continued commitment to expanding the sciences and East Campus. It's sure to draw more students to the university, even if there were a few uninvited ants around.

AUGUST

Amnesty policy added

An amendment to the student handbook allows students who call for medical attention as a result of alcohol related incidents to apply for amnesty that could prevent them from receiving a strike. The new program is meant to encourage students to get help when needed without letting fear of disciplinary action stop them. The program doesn't guarantee immunity from other judicial violations in relation to these incidents.



SEPTEMBER

Paul Ryan in Rockingham

Vice presidential candidate Paul Ryan visited the Rockingham area in an appearance that drew large crowds to the Rockingham County Fairgrounds. Ryan's speech hardly focused on specific issues relevant to college students and instead touched on larger issues about the economy. In a year that saw both campaigns travel extensively throughout Virginia, the event was the only local appearance by any presidential campaign.

OCTOBER

Mickey's 100th win

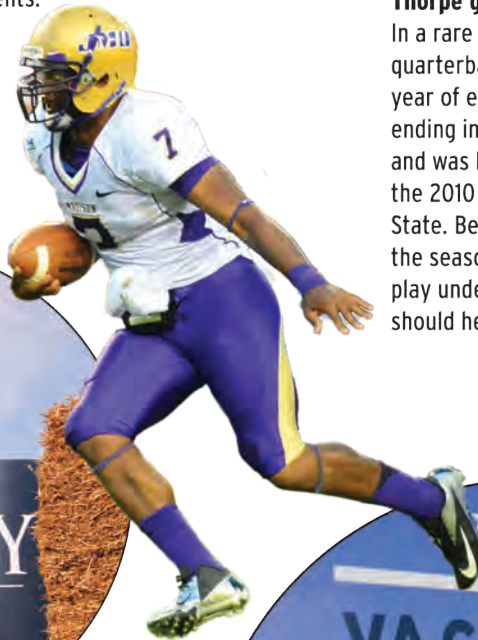
Already the winningest head coach in school history, Mickey Matthews added to his already substantial JMU résumé when he defeated Towson University on Oct. 6 for his 100th career win. At the helm for his 14th season with the Dukes, Matthews and quarterback Justin Thorpe engineered a last-minute, game-winning drive to secure a 13-10 win over the defending conference champions during Family Weekend.



OCTOBER

Thorpe gets six years

In a rare decision by the NCAA, fifth-year quarterback Justin Thorpe was granted a sixth year of eligibility. Thorpe suffered a season-ending injury in his true freshman year in 2008 and was hurt a second time in the first half of the 2010 season opener against Morehead State. Because both injuries occurred early in the season, the NCAA green-lighted Thorpe to play under center at JMU for a sixth season, should he wish to return.



NOVEMBER

The election

November's election dominated this year in the media, as a back and forth race finally drew to a close with Barack Obama beating challenger Mitt Romney. Voter turnout and engagement was once again high in Harrisonburg, as College Democrats and Republicans assisted in registering and getting voters to the polls. In local elections, City Council was shaken up as Democrats Kai Degner and Richard Baugh joined Independent Abe Shear on the five person panel.

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What's new at JMU



The Starbucks that replaced Java City in the Rose Library will open on Monday.



A stoplight was added to the crosswalk at the top of the Village to help regulate traffic and make it safer for students to cross.



Sixty parking spaces on the second level of the Warsaw Parking Deck have been converted from faculty parking to student parking.

Port Republic crime escalates over winter break

A deadly December shooting adds to recent spike in criminal activity

By IJ CHAN
The Breeze

During the past three weeks JMU students took a break from their studies, but the violent crime streak in Harrisonburg continued.

On Dec. 23, around 1 a.m. police arrived at 895 Port Republic and discovered Benjamin Graessle, 20, lying unresponsive after being shot in the breezeway of an apartment building in The Commons. Graessle was later pronounced dead, according to Lt. Chris Rush of the Harrisonburg Police Department.

Police have issued arrest warrants for Dallas Chaplin, 19, of Staunton, in relation to the shooting. The warrants are for first degree murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. Chaplin is not a JMU student. Police are still searching for Chaplin and encourage anyone with information to call the Crime Solvers.

Shirley Dodson, a sophomore public policy major, went to high school with Chaplin but said she didn't know him very well. Dodson said she and her fellow classmates from Staunton were surprised to hear the news about Chaplin.

Dodson, who lives in The Commons, also said that she noticed that security has tightened around her complex.

"We usually have a guard that walks around at night," Dodson said. "But last night I noticed he was at the bottom of the hill where the incident happened."

There was also a stabbing on Sunday night at the 200 block of North Main Street. Two people were taken to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for their injuries and one was later flown to UVA.

Stuart Sipe, 43, of Harrisonburg was arrested and charged with two counts

of malicious wounding. Sipe was then taken to Rockingham County Jail for processing.

Rush said in the past two to three months there has been a large amount of crime in the Port Republic Road area. According to Rush, the police have been making efforts to combat the crime spike such as increasing patrols and investigative presence in the area.

Rush says that many of the violent crimes in the past months have occurred at large college parties perhaps hosted by the large population of students that live in the Port Republic area.

Most of those arrested for these crimes, however, are not JMU students or even Harrisonburg residents, he said. Rush said that the Port Republic area attracts many outsiders from areas located along Interstate 81 such as Charlottesville, Northern Virginia and Staunton.

"There are people showing up to these parties that the residents hosting it don't even know," Rush said. "When you're talking mass amounts of people, it gets more crowded and you're also looking at more alcohol involved. The opportunity for something to happen goes up."

Rush also mentioned that there are several precautions students can take to decrease the chance of violent crimes occurring.

He advised students against advertising their parties to the public, particularly through social media. Rush also stressed the importance of keeping strangers out of them and to contact HPD or security immediately if anything appears out of hand.

In addition, Rush also suggested that students abide by the rules of their apartment complexes, such as the maximum occupancy of people allowed in each apartment as well as

regulations on alcohol.

"Eliminating these parties wouldn't solve the problem," Rush said. "It's a college setting — parties are going to occur, and I'm not saying that all parties are bad."

Rush explained that the Port Republic area could also be more prone to crime because of its close location to I-81, and not just the occurrence of college parties alone.

"It's quick access to get there and to get away," Rush said. "It's also centrally located."

But Rush also mentioned that crime while the Port Republic area has seen an increase in crime lately, crime in Harrisonburg isn't isolated to that area.

"All areas of Harrisonburg have crime — at times, crime tends to fluctuate between different areas," Rush said. "Right now for last two to three months, that's where it seems to be concentrated."

But Dodson said that the presence of crime in the area doesn't worry her, since she and her roommates have always practiced safe habits such as locking their doors and not traveling alone.

"I would never walk around the apartment complex alone at night — that's not safe," Dodson said. "As long as you're practicing safe habits, I'm not that concerned about it."

Sophomore justice studies major Anna Kaczmarek, who also lives in the Port Republic Road area, said that while the news of area crime is unsettling, she still feels safe living there.

"I try to keep alert when I'm walking alone or at night and I try to keep in mind certain safety precautions and not to let my guard down," Kaczmarek said. "But I still feel secure here."

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VIGIL | ‘We all feel for them and our thoughts and prayers are with them’



MATT SCHMACHTENBERG / THE BREEZE

Delta Upsilon Fraternity is on the commons this week getting students to sign a banner for Newtown, Conn. On Monday, the fraternity will hold a vigil on the commons for JMU students from Newtown.

from front

“It’s for the kids from Sandy Hook and the students from Newtown.”

The event will start with a performance from the a capella group Exit 245, after which Nelson, Dan Wagner, Delta Upsilon president and Mark Warner, JMU’s senior vice president, will all speak.

Warner will then introduce five JMU students who are from Newtown.

The audience will light candles as these students read off the names of those killed at Sandy Hook. Nelson explained that after each student’s name there would be a moment of silence and a glowing balloon will be released. The balloons will be green and white to represent the school colors of Sandy Hook Elementary School.

Nelson said he was inspired to organize the vigil because his business fraternity did something similar for him. After his brother died of brain cancer last year, his fraternity hosted a 5k run to raise money.

The proceeds from the event went to two alumni who have a young girl who has the same type of cancer as Nelson’s brother. The event is now an annual run.

“Seeing something like that, and how everyone came out to support me made me happy and made me want to do the same thing for the Newtown students,” Nelson said.

So far, there are more than 650 students planning to attend Monday’s event. Nelson said only the first 200 students will receive candles, but there is room for about 500 candles so students are welcome to bring their own or to use their cellphones.

DU has also been on the commons every day this week getting students to sign a banner that will be sent to Newtown. Nelson said that so far they have received more than 600 signatures.

James Waugh, social chair of DU, believes that this tragedy is something that touched the whole nation.

“Obviously, it affected their local community, but it

affected the nation as a whole, too,” Wagh said. “Even as far south as Virginia we all feel for them and our thoughts and prayers are with them.”

Murphy said Newtown has been receiving letters and kind thoughts from all over the country. She explained that although the town appreciates them, she doesn’t think Newtown will ever truly heal.

“That burden will follow them wherever they go and it will be painful forever,” Murphy said. “There can never be a going back to ‘normal.’ ”

Despite the town’s despair, Nelson and Waugh want the students from Newtown to know that JMU is behind them.

Murphy said she’s very comforted by the entire school coming together to support her “little town.”

“I cannot wait for the vigil when everyone gathers in honor of the beautiful children and courageous adults we lost,” Murphy said. “It reminds me that JMU is a family.”

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SAFETY | Police officers plan to increase their presence at schools

from front

“So many times you see schools expel or suspend students with behavior problems,” Kizner said. “Our schools teach kids to have alternatives to their problems by pairing the consequences with education. This way the kids will not get themselves into trouble next time.”

About 40 percent of the Harrisonburg student population doesn’t speak English as a first language, Kizner said. Each of the schools have liaisons that work with children and their families to promote a better learning environment and help students with any language barriers.

The University of Virginia held a presentation on threat assessments to the Harrisonburg school faculty. Kizner believes that the information from the presentation was helpful in promoting safety in schools.

“You know how kids will get angry and say that they want to hit someone,” Kizner said. “The presentation has helped our teachers and counselors differentiate between that and a legitimate threat.”

Currently there are only three security resource officers who work inside Harrisonburg schools. Harrisonburg High School, Thomas Harrison Middle School and Skyline Middle School each employ one of the police officers.

The five elementary schools share one D.A.R.E. officer who rotates through each school and addresses safety.

The Harrisonburg Police Department has agreed to

“General common sense procedures are what we need. And I really think that you need to look at who is in school and who shouldn’t be there.”

Bill Leach
Harrisonburg father of five

increase patrols on the particular routes near schools. But Lt. Chris Rush believes that increasing the amount of officers in schools would be difficult.

“With current staffing, it would be hard to add more officers to the schools,” Rush said. “I’m very confident in our SROs. I think we are very fortunate to have as many as we do. You look at other districts near here and they don’t have any SROs.”

The school administrators and Harrisonburg police met on Jan. 4 to discuss an increase in police presence in the schools. Officers patrolling the area near the schools have agreed to stop in to help promote interactions with students.

“Police presence in schools is necessary for a few reasons other than safety,” Rush said. “It helps create rapport with the children and show that they’re there to help and not just arrest. Officers who are in the schools can even step in and help teach some of the classes or sit in the back and answer any questions.”

Many parents have sent in their suggestions for school

safety reform. Kizner believes that the engagement of the community will help promote the safety of the schools.

Bill Leach, a pastor at the Christ Presbyterian Church downtown, has five children who go to school in Harrisonburg.

He thinks it’s devastating to see the loss of children, especially at such a young age. But the shooting at Sandy Hook didn’t necessarily make him more worried.

“I think I’m always concerned about the safety of my children, but I don’t know that it made it any more acute,” Leach said.

He thinks increased police activity is a good idea, but not the only solution.

“General common sense procedures are what we need,” Leach said. “And I really think that you need to look at who is in school and who shouldn’t be there.”

Kizner is hoping these concerns will remain a priority for the community.

“What I don’t want to see happen is people just forget about a terrible event like this,” Kizner said. “There’s that initial concern and then in a few months’ time people just forget about it. I hope that something positive will come out of this.”

On Feb. 13, the Harrisonburg school board will hold a community meeting with the Harrisonburg Police Department to discuss school safety and community violence at Harrisonburg High School.

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Armed robbery downtown

An armed man robbed the Midtowne Market downtown on Sunday night.

The robbery occurred around 7:15 p.m. The man fled the scene after stealing an unknown amount of money.

Police are still searching for the suspect, according to Lt. Chris Rush of the Harrisonburg Police Department.

Lauren Berry, owner of Midtowne Market, was not working at the time of the robbery but she said this is the first time the market has been robbed in the six years it has been open.

She said that she has never felt unsafe during the 10 years that she has been living and working in downtown Harrisonburg.

“There is a strong feeling of community amongst the downtown businesses,” Berry said. “The other business owners and employees downtown have been very supportive; everyone looks out for each other here. I think everyone just feels really angry that this happened.”

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Sandy Hook tragedy is a tipping point

With 61 mass shootings in the last 30 years, a change in gun control is the clear solution

After the tragedy at Sandy Hook, the No. 1 question on everyone's mind is, "How can we keep this from happening again?"

Some people have blamed violent video games, some people have blamed lax mental health care, but surprisingly few people are blaming what seems to be the obvious problem: gun control.

Shooting spree is not a rare tragedy. According to *The Washington Post*, since 1982, there have been at least 61 mass shootings in America, and the vast majority of those were with legally obtained guns.

And if you want to argue that that number doesn't mean anything unless seen in context, consider that three-fifths of the world's worst mass shootings in the last 50 years took place in the U.S. We have incredibly lenient gun control laws compared to the rest of the world and one of the highest rates of gun ownership.

For example, after the 1996 shooting in Port Arthur, Australia, 650,000 automatic and semiautomatic rifles were collected and destroyed under the gun buyback program. As a result, between 1996 and 2005, the rate of gun related homicides dropped 59 percent, according to an article from *The Christian Science Monitor*.

The solution seems obvious. If so many shootings are carried out with legally obtained guns, we're not doing a good enough job of keeping guns out of the hands of people who shouldn't have had them in the first place. Some of the earliest suggestions after Sandy Hook for stricter gun control involved a ban on assault weapons and the closing of a loophole that allowed people to buy guns from gun shows without a



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Salesman Jason Brown, right, shows Steve Levy an AR-15 assault rifle at Perry's Gun Shop in Wendell, N.C.

background check.

In addition to reinstating a ban on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines, strengthening mental health checks and stiffening penalties for carrying guns near schools or giving them to minors is also on the table.

These proposals seem pretty reasonable, but some people think otherwise. Senator Heidi Heitkamp, a Democrat from North Dakota, is against these proposals. She told *The Washington Post*, "I think you need to put everything on the table, but what I hear from the administration — and if *The Washington Post* is to be believed — that's way, way in excess of what I think is necessary or

even should be talked about. And it's not going to pass."

Instead, she suggests that more focus be put on addressing mental health issues. That's a great idea. Maybe we should have something like, oh, I don't know, stricter enforcement of background checks and more thorough mental health checks for people who are trying to buy guns.

If that sounds familiar, it's because it's one of the "extreme" suggestions on the table that Heitkamp doesn't think is going to pass. In what I'm sure is a coincidence, Heitkamp has an "A" rating from the NRA, who has strictly opposed more gun control every time it comes up, but I'm sure

she's not biased.

Many people like to say that guns don't kill; people do. Yes, they do. People kill people using guns, so maybe we should be more careful about who gets them.

In the end, this isn't about statistics or legal maneuvering. It's about people's lives. Most recently, 26 of them and countless more shattered by their loss.

If you want to do what it takes to keep that number from growing, then start paying attention to what's really causing the problem.

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JESSICA WILLIAMS

In plain English

Post-break blues

As nice as it is to be back at school, there are certain things about returning from break that can drive you insane.

For one, we have to get up earlier than noon. We all dread that first Monday morning when we have to wake up

to the daunting beep of our alarm clocks and drag ourselves out of bed. Professors are either equally miserable or cheery, making the classic joke: "Are you all still trying to wake up?" We groan in response.

After a long wait in the line at Starbucks, we find our classes and go through syllabus after syllabus. How many classes are we allowed to skip before we fail? Three? Good. And how is this class going to be graded? Oh, there are only three grades and they're all exams? Perfect.

If we're lucky, we escape without having to do an icebreaker. Worst-case scenario: We're forced to share an interesting fact about ourselves. Someone will have a twin. Someone always has a twin.

The professor holds up the \$500 textbook we're going to use and says it's available in the bookstore. If there's a heaven, I'm sure it's something like the JMU bookstore in the months of August and January because it's the happiest place on Earth.

You walk in and climb the staircase to the second floor, where students are scrambling to find the right book. Exclamations of "What is this G-Com book made of? Diamonds?" can be heard rising above the crowd. Once you find all of your books, you carry your 60-pound stack down the stairs and wait in line. The wait ranges from an hour to eternity.

While you wait, you're led through a world of chocolate, magazines, pens and tiny desk fans that can be hard to resist if you're a compulsive shopper. I once left the bookstore with a pair of fuzzy purple-and-gold dice to hang on my car mirror. I don't have a car.

But when it's all said and done, we find the time to reunite with our friends and grab a D-Hall grilled cheese, and we're reminded of what we love about JMU: the food.

Yes, the one good thing about returning from break is the account full of Dining Dollars waiting to be spent on coffee and bacon on sandwiches. These simple pleasures make it all worthwhile.

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DARTS & PATS

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A "printer-friendly" pat to the ladies in the JMU Copy Center for being so helpful.

From an appreciative senior who would have saved a lot of time and money if she had been going there all year long.

A "you-give-JMU-students-a-bad-name" dart to the GARTH student who felt the need to be rude to me when I politely asked her to leave an empty classroom so I could lock up.

From a staff member who was just doing her job and is glad every student isn't like you.

A "yeah-we-did-just-move-that!" dart to the rude girl who thought leaving a hoodie on a table in Carrier Starbucks saved all six seats for two people.

From some Dukes who haven't lost

their common decency.

A "didn't-your-mother-teach-you-to-apologize?" dart to *The Breeze* for failing to apologize for or retract erroneous information from the original drumline article.

From an MRD who is offended by your sensationalist need to get an article out, true or not.

A "you-just-made-my-heart-melt" pat to the guy outside of Miller who approached his elderly professor and offered to take his bags.

From a hopeless romantic who is happy to know that not all men are clones from *Jersey Shore*.

A "did-you-grow-up-in-a-barn?" dart to the New Boyz groupies who think a great

promotional tool is to write on bathroom mirrors with eyeliner and leave it for housekeeping to clean up day after day.

From a staff member in Harrison Hall who thinks you need to learn how to use a pen and paper.

A "better-than-Dead-Poet-Society" pat to my fall semester writing class.

From an unassuming sophomore who got way more attached than she thought she would.

A "that's-not-the-JMU-way" dart to the students in Carrier who saved their table for more than five hours without any use.

From a stressed student who didn't appreciate your selfish ways.

A "what-were-you-thinking?" dart to the person who sped around a bus onto the wrong side of the street and almost hit me on the Hanson crosswalk.

From someone who thinks you should go back to driving school before you kill someone.

A "thank-you-so-much" pat to

the kind stranger who carried my suitcase up the Godwin staircase when I was struggling.

From an appreciative student with weak arms.

A "playing-with-fire" dart to all the pedestrians who walk in front of my car when there's no crosswalk.

From a guy who has luckily been able to stop for you (so far).

A "thank-you" pat to a woman who pointed out a free spot in the commuter parking lot.

From a new transfer student who worries about parking.

A "chivalry-still-exists" pat to the guy who said "I was actually going to get it for you" when we offered to get the door for him, despite the fact that he was carrying a stack of boxes.

From two junior girls who love constant reminders of why we love JMU.

A "thanks-for-putting-down-your-peanut-butter" pat to the guy outside of 865 East who helped us put a giant TV in our car.

From three girls who are weaklings.

A "rest-ice-compression-elevation" pat to RGIII's knee for the 826 rushing yards he ran in 2012.

From your supportive fans who are grateful you "saved our skins."

A "thanks-for-the-support" pat to my hall director for the spring semester pep talk.

From a struggling RA who took on a little too much and is happy to have a boss as understanding as you.

An "I'll-miss-you-Liz-Lemon" pat to 30 Rock for its upcoming series finale.

From a teary eyed fan who will continue to live by the philosophy that all anyone really wants in this life is to sit in peace and eat a sandwich.

A "thank-you-for-not-letting-me-go-hungry" pat to the manager of Chick-Fil-A who bought my lunch when I didn't have enough Dining Dollars.

From a very thankful student who is no longer hungry.

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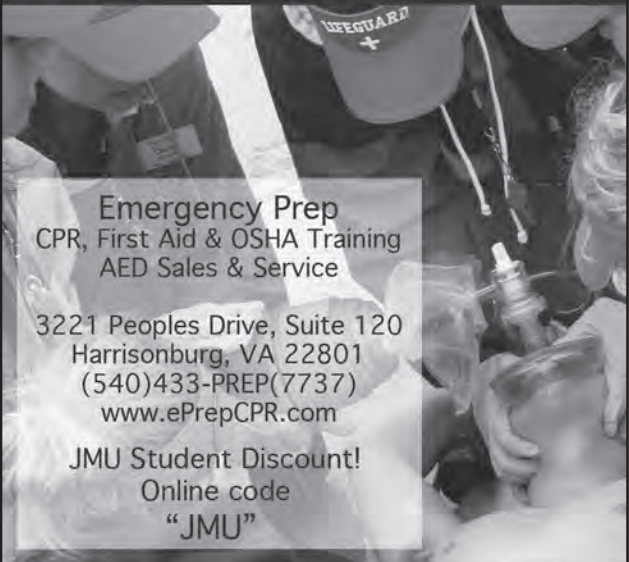
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SINCE YOU'VE BEEN GONE

JMU athletics stays busy during winter break as both basketball teams turn the corner after losses.

By WAYNE EPPS JR. and CHASE KIDDY

MEN'S BASKETBALL GOES 5-1 IN DECEMBER

After starting the season 1-5, the men's basketball team won two of three games to improve to 3-6 as the fall semester came to a close. The Dukes continued their winning ways over break.

JMU tipped off its break schedule with a home game against the University of North Carolina-Greensboro on Dec. 16. Redshirt senior guard Devon Moore and redshirt senior forward Rayshawn Goins led the Dukes to an 85-73 win. Moore scored 22 points, tying his career-high, and also had nine rebounds and seven assists. Goins added 23 points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

"We're not relying on any one guy for anything," said coach Matt Brady on Dec. 17. "We're using our bench liberally, and I think there's great competition for minutes. There's much more energy in this group."

With that win on the books, the Dukes traveled to Las Vegas to play in the Vegas Holiday Hoops event on Dec. 22 and 23. JMU fell behind against San Jose State University in the first half, going into the locker room down 34-24, but the Dukes surged back in the second half to claim a 77-68 victory thanks to redshirt senior guard A.J. Davis' 18 second-half points.

Against San Diego University, the Dukes owned a slim 33-30 lead at halftime after falling behind early. The second half remained close, but Moore's 13 points in the last 11 minutes of the game helped JMU take a 62-59 win.

Senior forward Andrew Semenov, who was injured in the season opener on Nov. 15, missed

the subsequent five games of the season from Nov. 19-28. The Dukes were 1-4 in those games. Conversely, when Semenov returned on Dec. 1 vs. Winthrop University, the Dukes were able to post a 5-1 December record.

Semenov shoots the three-ball well for a big man, thus stretching opponent's defenses greater than they would be otherwise taxed when he isn't on the floor.

Moore is also responsible for the team's turnaround. He elevated his game during the team's hot streak, averaging nearly 13 points per game. He also dished at least five assists in five of the team's six December games.

After leaving Las Vegas, the Dukes had a few days off before traveling to play Old Dominion University on Jan. 2 to begin Colonial Athletic Association play. In another tight game, Goins led the Dukes with 16 points and nine rebounds in an ugly 58-55 win. The win came at a price though, as Semenov again went down, this time with an ankle injury. It's unknown how long he'll be out.

Without Semenov, JMU quickly rediscovered its early season woes. Goins posted another double-double at Georgia State, but the Dukes fell 68-52. The team fell on harder times Monday night at 2-10 Hampton University, struggling with foul trouble in a 69-65 loss. After Wednesday's home game against North Carolina-Wilmington, JMU will host Drexel on Saturday in a nationally televised conference game.



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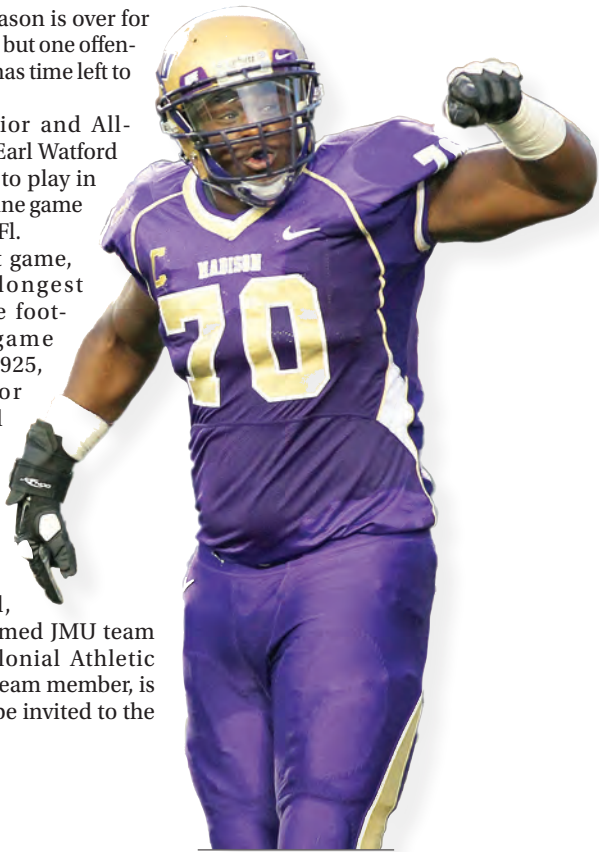
Once senior forward Andrew Semenov returned to the team from injury on Dec. 1, head coach Matt Brady guided the Dukes to a 6-1 record through their Jan. 2 game at in-state rival Old Dominion University.

SENIOR GUARD EARL WATFORD INVITED TO SHRINE GAME

The football season is over for most JMU players, but one offensive lineman still has time left to play on the field.

Outgoing senior and All-American guard Earl Watford has been tapped to play in the East-West Shrine game in St. Petersburg, Fl.

The East-West game, which is the longest standing college football All-Star game established in 1925, is a chance for many high-level collegiate athletes with NFL aspirations to showcase their proficient abilities in a marquee event. Watford, who was also named JMU team captain and Colonial Athletic Association first-team member, is the first Duke to be invited to the game.



LAUREN GORDON / THE BREEZE

All-American senior Earl Watford is the first Duke to ever be invited to the East-West Shrine game.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ON FOUR-GAME WIN STREAK

The women's team lost their previous two games coming into winter break before turning things around during the holiday.

The Dukes started off break on Dec. 16 at Duquesne University. Despite a resurgent second half after beginning the half down 34-18, the Dukes suffered a 62-57 loss.

However, the Dukes rebounded for four straight wins, the first of which came at home on Dec. 21 against American University to start a three game home stand. Freshman guard Precious Hall led the Dukes with a career-high 16 points in her first career start helping them to the 65-49 victory.

A week later, on Dec. 28, the Dukes took the floor against Maine University and easily handled the Black Bears in an 88-34 rout. Senior guard Tarik Hislop led all scorers with 14 points, and was one of six JMU players to score in double figures, tying a school record.

Georgia Southern University wrapped up the Dukes' home stand on Dec. 31 and junior guard Kirby Burkholder scored a career-high 27 points as JMU overpowered the Panthers in a 93-44 win.

To close out their winter break run, the Dukes traveled to the University of North Carolina-Wilmington on Sunday to start their CAA schedule. Continuing its torrid streak, JMU came away with a 60-39 victory as Burkholder again led the Dukes in scoring with 15 points.

"Even though we've been up by large margins at the end of the game, I've been proud, with the exception of the [UNC] Wilmington second half, [that] we haven't taken our foot off the pedal," Brooks said.

The Dukes, now 7-6, 1-0 in CAA play, will host Drexel University tonight at 7 p.m. as they look to continue their win streak. They'll do it without senior forward and reigning conference defensive player of the year Nikki Newman, though, who sustained a serious foot injury and will likely miss the remainder of the season.

Senior guard Tarik Hislop, named ESPNw national player of the week earlier this season, played a major part in the Dukes' resurgence over the last five games.



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She was so sure in her conviction. She didn't stutter or hesitate for one moment, except maybe to slur her words a bit. Her verbiage was littered with definitive statements like "we will win" and "those Crimson guys have no chance." Her confidence was nothing short of unwavering.

Notre Dame would win the national championship.

Those were the words of a girl we'll call Cindy (name changed to protect the dumbfounded) a junior at Notre Dame and a bubbly, optimistic friend of mine. Brimming with pride in early December after her Irish completed their undefeated regular season,

Cindy remained so sure that her school would win the Bowl Championship Series national championship that she was prepared to put her money where her mouth was.

Or rather, she was prepared to put her social calendar where her mouth was. Should Notre Dame win, Cindy agreed to go out on a date with me.

Let's just ignore the big part of this arrangement that's altogether insulting and cut straight to one of the biggest I-told-you-so's of my college career. Notre Dame was absolutely blasted on Monday night by football powerhouse Alabama, in what felt like the Irish's biggest loss out on a field since the 1840's. The Crimson Tide won by a final score of 42-14, and I was reaching for my wallet by the end of the first quarter.

I'm a gentleman, of course. I always pay.

Ultimately, it's foolish to bet against Alabama head coach Nick Saban. He's proven time and time again what he can do with a month's time to prepare for a marquee contest. Why would this January be any exception? Even against a highly touted Notre Dame team, the Southeastern Conference's best squad looked more than immortal. They looked dynastic.

Dynasty is a rare word in college athletics, and it's not hard to figure out why. With athletes coming and going in relatively short amounts of time, turnover is a built-in obstacle to climb over and work around.

But much like his SEC colleague John Calipari has done for University of Kentucky basketball, Saban has turned his institution not into a conduit for learning and growth but a destination for top-end athletes. It might make some fans uncomfortable,

but Saban ultimately has to be commended for circumnavigating the landscape of college athletics with such consistency.

The result, much to my friend Cindy's displeasure, is three championships in the last four years and an 8-1 record in conference or national championship games. In an atmosphere where schools dish out increasingly skyrocketing salaries for wins, Saban's performance truly is priceless.

Now that Saban has replaced last year's trophy with this new one, not much college football remains for us to talk about this season: a few more prognostications of how many first round draft picks Alabama will produce this year; an unfathomably early looks at next year's top 25 teams; maybe even a few more tongue-in-cheek Miss Alabama USA references,

pondering if Brent Musberger and discretion need to reintroduce themselves to one another.

As for the now depressed Notre Dame fans out there, they will have to content themselves with their first shot at the crystal trophy since 1988. A 12-0 regular season is certainly nothing to cry about.

Unless you're my friend Cindy, that is. She very eloquently lamented during the game about how her team was losing to a SEC team that she rather explicitly thought was unworthy. I waited until the Irish scored a touchdown in the third quarter, and then reassured her that, hey, at least it wasn't a shutout.

Cheer up, Cindy. At least you're getting a free dinner out of this.

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>>DUKES DOMINATE SEAHAWKS

Senior forward Gene Swindle faces off against the UNCW frontcourt for a tough layup. Read the game recap at **breezejmu.org**.



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From coach to confidant

JMU head coach Matt Brady's past meets his present as his former coach joins Dukes' staff

By **MEAGHAN MACDONALD**
The Breeze

In 1986, Siena College was about to make a men's basketball head coaching change. Although the team was young and could make an easy transition regarding playing style, lone senior Matt Brady wasn't happy. He had become very close with his coach, John Griffin, and was reluctant to learn an entirely new scheme.

When Mike Deane was officially made the head coach, Deane and Brady immediately didn't see eye to eye on the new direction of the Siena basketball program. But what started out as a rocky relationship between a coach and a player has since become

a strong bond between two coaches.

As head coach of the JMU men's basketball team, Brady has brought his old coach along with him to lead the Dukes to a successful season.

"He was one of the coaches in my life that I always admired, not just for all the success he had at each of the schools but I think because of those interpersonal skills that Mike had," Brady said.

Deane knew his senior point guard had a lot of potential to become a standout player. He held Brady to high standards and made him play harder and lead the team, which paid off. The Saints finished the season 17-12 while Brady averaged about 14 points a game and graduated as the program's

all-time assists leader with 593.

"If you look at basketball as a chess game [Brady] was three or four moves ahead where most of us just made the last move and react," Deane said. "He knew where he was supposed to be and he knew where the other four guys were supposed to be. He was not only a good passer; he delivered the ball to the right guy at the right time in the right spot."

Coming off a disappointing 13-20 season, Brady is confident that Deane's experience and outsider's status can really bring some life into the Dukes.

"To get better as a coach or as an organization or a business you want to look at yourself critically," Brady said. "I'm always willing to do that and Mike gives us more than anything else a remarkably experienced, new set of eyes to look at all that we do in a very critical way in order to make this team and our program much stronger this year than it was last year."

Brady knows that to be a competitive team this season, there needs to be changes not only at the coaching position, but also how the team plays on the court. Bringing Deane in as an outsider has given Brady some fresh ideas to implement into his strategies.

"I think he has some ideas about attacking offensive and defensive rebounds and who to send and where to send them to," Brady said. "We certainly have talked a lot about our ability to disrupt and create a little more disharmony for the other team offensively."

Deane had great success as the head coach for Siena. In his eight years of coaching there, he led the Saints to their first trips to the NCAA tournament



LAUREN GORDON / THE BREEZE

Assistant coach Mike Deane instructs his players from the sideline during Wednesday's home game against UNCW. Deane is one of the only coaches to ever take three different programs to the NCAA tournament.

in 1989 and the National Invitation Tournament in 1987. Deane was instrumental in helping the program grow and gave the students a basketball team to be proud of.

"When I took the job at Siena, we played on campus and they got about 2,000 [fans] a game," Deane said. "Within a year, we filled that arena every single game. There were 4,000 people there every night. People were sitting on the floors, between the bleachers and the court. It was unbelievable."

In his 36 years of coaching, Deane has achieved more than most coaches could ever imagine. One of only 28 coaches in NCAA history to guide three different schools to the NCAA tournament, Deane reached the tournament in 1988-89 with Siena, 1995-96 and 1996-97 with Marquette and 1999-2000 at Lamar. He also made five appearances in the NIT and posted nine 20-win seasons

in his 24 Division I campaigns, including three years with 25 wins. Most recently, he led Wagner College to a 23-8 record in 2007-08.

Deane's magic touch as a coach has been working with point guards. Marc Brown, another former point guard of Deane, is one of the greatest players to grace Siena's court. A hall of famer and the school's leading scorer with 2,284 career points, Brown still uses what Deane taught him to teach his own players at New Jersey City University.

"I try to work with my guards the same way that he worked with me," Brown said. "It was always about quality, not quantity. We worked hard for short periods of time but that meant a lot more than being in the gym for about three hours."

Although the coach has been on a hiatus from coaching for about two years, Deane has been incredibly busy this

year being inducted into four different hall of fames: the New York State Basketball Coaches Association, Capital District, Plattsburgh State and Siena College.

"I feel myself an assistant," Deane said. "That means is you've been around a real long time."

As his first season with the Dukes underway, Deane is looking forward to working once again as an assistant coach and alongside one of his star players.

"I find myself an assistant," Deane said. "I've always told my wife that I find myself more effective as an assistant than I was as a head coach because you don't have the emotional hangover of having to worry about how everybody looks at the team."

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LEFT Senior Victoria Hall's photographs are on display at the Darrin-McHone Gallery as part of "The Photograph as a Document" class. **RIGHT** Junior Sarah Smith's pieces featured cans with hunger statistics.



Class uses hunger problem as inspiration

By **JOANNA MORELLI**
The Breeze

In order to portray such a sensitive and raw topic, comfort boundaries had to be crossed.

Eight JMU students were encouraged to take pictures at food pantries throughout the Harrisonburg area. The "Hunger in Harrisonburg" exhibit was more than an art show; it was a display of hidden suffering and the small acts of courage done to fight it.

The exhibit, which is featured at the Darrin-McHone Gallery on South Main Street, was created by art professor Corinne Diop's fall class "The Photograph as a Document." As a portion of their grade, the students photographed hunger-inspired pieces to bring awareness to the local problem. The pieces vary from active shots of volunteers handing out supplies to shots of those receiving food.

Students aimed to assemble a call-to-action against hunger, but also highlight the good Samaritans already active in the community. Jennifer Estabrook, a senior studio art major, submitted a photo taken at

Harrisonburg hunger

- 12.5 percent of Shenandoah Valley citizens go hungry
- 12.4 percent of Virginians suffer from hunger
- One in six Americans suffer from hunger each day

*According to Feeding America's 2010 survey

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EMILY WINTERS | foodie on a dime

Freezer friendly

Get a head start on meals, snacks for the semester

At the beginning of the semester, I take the time to organize everything. It's how I justify procrastinating on all the reading I have to do without being completely unproductive.



Usually this means cleaning my room, buying a new planner and making sure I have enough printer ink. And it always includes cooking.

I like to make meals I can save in my freezer or cabinet to eat later in the semester when I get busier. It seems like a daunting task to put time into a meal I don't plan on enjoying right away, but I never regret it. The reward is when I have something to eat other than a pack of Ramen noodles.

Here are a couple of ideas for what you could make and save for later. All of these items can be frozen for up to three months, except the energy bars which last about a week (but they're so good I doubt they'll stick around that long).

1. Pasta sauce: Always better than the canned alternative and better for you because it lacks the fillers and preservatives you'd find in store bought brands.

2. Chicken noodle soup: With cold and flu season upon us, chicken noodle soup can be a lifesaver. If it isn't your thing, make your favorite soup and freeze that instead.

3. Lasagna: Growing up in an Italian family, lasagna is one of my favorite meals. In these colder winter months, having this food made and waiting in my freezer is a comfort.

>> See Emily's recipes for these meals at breezejmu.org.

4. Chili: Throw it in your slow cooker, go to class, get home and transfer it to storage containers and freeze it. Minimal effort, maximum reward. And your apartment smells great instead of like beer.

5. Energy bars: Homemade versions of Clif bars or Larabars are great to have when you are looking for a quick, energy-packed snack to grab when you're running on empty.

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Emily's energy bars have pitted dates, dark chocolate and coconut for a healthy boost.

MOVIE REVIEWS

Holiday films mostly nice

By **JENNY CLAIRE KNIGHT**
The Breeze

During the holiday season film studios break out their Oscar contenders and their feel good family films. This past winter break saw five major releases including "Les Misérables," "Django Unchained," "This is 40," "Parental Guidance" and "The Hobbit." From the good to the forgettable, here's what you need to know in case you missed them during break.

'Les Misérables'

Based on the classic Broadway show and novel, director Tom Hooper attempts his own adaptation of "Les Misérables." When prisoner Jean Valjean (Hugh Jackman) breaks his parole, he sets off a manhunt by Inspector Javert (Russell Crowe). As the years go by Valjean is able to rebuild his life and takes in a child, Cosette (Amanda Seyfried). With revolution on the horizon and Javert at every turn, the film builds into a climactic ending.

"Les Misérables" is a good and faithful adaptation, but doesn't live up to the intense hype surrounding it. Most of the cast gives award-worthy performances, Jackman and Hathaway in particular. The music and sets are beautiful, yet Hooper's poor directing and slow pacing, Samantha Bank's flat portrayal of Eponine and Crowe's obvious lack of musical talent drag the film. It's worth seeing in theaters because the music is very good for the most part, but those simple technical errors can't be overlooked.

'Django Unchained'

Set just before the Civil War, bounty hunter Dr. King Schultz (Christoph Waltz) seeks out slave Django (Jamie Foxx) because of his tracking abilities. In exchange for helping Schultz find his next



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In "The Hobbit," Gandalf the Grey (Ian McKellan) is puzzled and frightened by an unexplained dark shadow descending over Mirkwood forest in Middle Earth.

Django Unchained

★★★★☆
'R' 165 min.
Starring Jaime Foxx, Christoph Waltz

separated from him during a slave auction. They devise a plan to free Django's wife from plantation owner Calvin Candie (Leonardo DiCaprio) and hope they don't get killed in the process.

"Django Unchained" is certainly a Quentin Tarantino film despite the Antebellum setting. It's brutally violent and bold, and there will be some who find the film controversial. Waltz gives another great performance and you can tell DiCaprio is having fun playing the villain, an unusual role for him. "Django Unchained" is exciting, but if you're not a fan of

bounty, he offers Django his freedom. Django uses Schultz's help to locate his wife, who had been

violence you probably won't like it. It's Tarantino after all.

'The Hobbit'

The prequel to "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy follows Bilbo Baggins (Martin Freeman) who lives quietly until wizard Gandalf (Ian McKellan) persuades him to go on a journey with 13 dwarves to reclaim their homeland from Smaug the dragon. On the epic journey, Bilbo faces mystical dangers, including Gollum and his particular fondness for a gold ring. Visually, director Peter Jackson creates a movie that's a feast for the

The Hobbit

★★★★☆
'PG-13' 169 min.
Starring Ian McKellan, Martin Freeman

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK THURS.-SUN.			
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ UREK Ski Spree at Massanutten Ski Resort Discounted ski and snowboard rentals and lift tickets with JACard; meet at UREK loading dock at 3 p.m. for free ride to the resort 4-9 p.m. Massanutten Ski Resort at 1822 Resort Dr., McGaheysville \$18 lift pass, \$12 ski or snowboard rental.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Flashpoint School Violence Panel aims to examine the difficulty of peace-building in the aftermath of school violence and look at preventative approaches to deter future violence; panelists include JMU professors and local public school administrators 3:30-5 p.m. Third floor Flex Space, Rose Library Free.■ "Julius Caesar" American Shakespeare Center 7:30 p.m. Blackfriars Playhouse, 10 S. Market St., Staunton \$18-\$42.■ The Judy Chops (rock, jazz, blues) Admission includes a wine tasting; food available for purchase from Mama's Caboose 6:30 p.m. Bluestone Vineyard at 4828 Spring Creek Rd., Bridgewater \$10. For reservations, call 540-828-0099.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ "Mixing Oil and Water" exhibition Display features recent works of artists Carter Corbin and Tisha McMillan 1-3 p.m., display will be up through March The Joshua Wilton House Free.■ "Wonders of the Universe" planetarium show Travel back billions of years to witness the birth of this universe and explore the Milky Way galaxy and our solar system 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. John C. Wells Planetarium in Miller Hall Free.■ West Virginia Dance Company Program features an imaginative presentation of community life in Appalachia set to the country music of Patty Loveless 8 p.m. Forbes Center for the Performing Arts Mainstage Theatre \$27-\$30 at the Forbes box office or website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ "Hungry Planet: What will the world eat?" Exhibition by the School of Art, Design and Art History 10 a.m.-8 p.m., runs through March 31 PRISM Gallery in Festival Conference and Student Center lower level Free.■ Really Inventive stuff Starring Michael Boudewyns The master of "ready-to-go theatrical presentations that keep the music in the spotlight" performs Sergei Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" with the Montpelier Wind Quintet and faculty guest artist Michael Overman (toy drum) 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Forbes Center \$16-\$17 at the Forbes Box Office or website.■ Shift Change: Putting Democracy to Work Documentary tells stories of employee-owned businesses that compete successfully in today's economy while providing secure jobs 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Court Square Theater Free.

SALLIE DRUMHELLER | guest columnist

New year, same you

JMU has almost 18,000 undergrad students. On Monday, I'm pretty sure 17,000 of them were in UREK — at the same time. You may have seen me; I was the one in the corner scowling at all the girls fortunate enough to get an elliptical.

So begins 2013, with two to four weeks of enthusiastically tackling all those "get healthy" New Year's resolutions.

Like many other holiday traditions (Mom's fruitcake, matching family portraits for the Christmas card and "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer") New Year's resolutions have a bad reputation. They begin at the front of our minds for a couple of months before they fade away and we forget them until next December, when we hastily take up flossing to give the appearance of self-improvement.

The problem is that resolutions resemble to-do lists more than anything. They say when you set goals you're supposed to be specific, but let me tell you something: "They" are wrong. Lofty, vague resolutions are definitely the way to go. That way, you won't feel terrible

about yourself because you didn't exercise four times a week (which you most certainly won't, because no one in their right mind would go back to the gym after seeing it this week). Things along the lines of "be more self-aware" and "feel healthier" are good because really, who is to say you've accomplished them or not?

Another good strategy is to set the bar low. Most of my resolutions are to stop doing things I did last year, like crash my car or play "Words with Friends."

In addition, always have a backup plan.

For example, should I crash my car again, I would rephrase it as an "accident" because "accident" is a nice euphemism that shifts the blame from me to the concrete pillar that got in my way as I was reversing. "Words with Friends" isn't cool anymore anyway, so that one was pretty much handed to me. Getting more Twitter followers is a fool-proof resolution: impossible not to achieve while still giving you a subtle boost of self-esteem.

Also, never include others in your resolutions. Don't even tell anyone about

them. Sure, it may make you more accountable, but come December everyone knows you failed because you posted your resolutions all over Facebook.

If you don't end up accomplishing all, or any, of your resolutions, don't be hard on yourself. There's probably a good reason you didn't change. For example, there's a reason you choose Burger King over fixing your "Cooking Light" recipes: You're busy and nobody has time to be roasting chickpeas on top of 15 credit hours.

Let this year be different by setting attainable goals like improving in school over making Dean's List both semesters. Don't be that person on New Year's Eve 2013 making comments about how bad the past year was and how awesome 2014 will be. No one likes that person.

And lastly, happy workouts to all the new and determined gym-goers. Don't let the sweat of thousands of others within 50 feet of you get you down.

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MOVIES | 'This is 40' brings the laughs to an older crowd

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eyes. From costumes and make-up to special effects, "The Hobbit" looks just as stunning as the trilogy does. Loyal fans will be excited to see the familiar faces and the film's close adaptation of the novel, but there's nothing spectacular or award-winning about either. Jackson's commitment to adaptation is almost too much, and it's so long (more than three hours with previews) you'll be wondering when your journey to the exit can begin.

'This is 40'

Advertised as a "sort of sequel to 'Knocked Up,'" "This is 40" centers around married couple Pete (Paul Rudd) and Debbie (Leslie Mann) who were one-dimensional supporting characters in "Knocked Up." The film follows the couple as they cope with turning 40 as Pete struggles at work and

both struggle with family and relationship problems.

This is 40

★★★★☆

'R' 134 min.
Starring Paul Rudd, Leslie Mann

Written and directed by Judd Apatow, "This is 40" has its share of funny moments and a solid main and supporting cast, and Melissa McCarthy stands out as Catherine. Those who are about to turn 40 will be able to better connect with the film than the college-aged crowd — that is if they can overlook the film's slow pace at times.

'Parental Guidance'

In "Parental Guidance," Artie (Billy Crystal) isn't thrilled when his wife, Diane (Bette Midler), volunteers both of them to babysit their

grandchildren while the children's parents (Marisa Tomei and Tom Everett Scott) are away for work. Although initially off to a good start, conflict arises when the children's modern mannerisms and slang clash with Artie's older attitude.

Parental Guidance

★★★★☆

'PG' 104 min.
Starring Billy Crystal, Bette Midler

It's so formulaic and predictable you already know how the film will end. It's a sweet movie but incredibly dull. It's too cheesy and there are better family movies out there. It's a disappointing choice for Crystal, Midler and Tomei.

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HUNGER | 'Take a step back and you can be more appreciative'



KATIE GONG / THE BREEZE

Junior Melissa Carter's photographs and the rest of the class's work will be on display until Jan. 25.

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Our Community Place, a local food pantry.

"My picture had three young people washing the dishes with a hunger mural above them," Estabrook said. "Their faces are turned, but to me this shows what good will is and how [volunteers] are doing their part to help their community."

Some students jumped at the chance to creatively reduce the hunger problem. Of the 283,254 inhabitants of the Shenandoah Valley, an estimated 12.5 percent suffer from hunger, according to Feeding America's 2010 study. Donations from the "Hunger in Harrisonburg" exhibition went to the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, an agency that serves 120,000 people per month.

"We didn't want to take photos of people who may not want their friends, neighbors or co-workers to see that they are in need of food, [but] one woman who is shown being served by the Mobile pantry said she wanted to do it to help people understand how needed this service is," Diop said. "She sacrificed her own pride to help others."

Diop came up with the theme after participating as

a discussion panelist for the exhibition "About Hunger & Resilience" featured in the Prism Gallery in Festival last November. When she heard panelist and justice studies professor Suraj Jacob's tales of "the extra anguish of being hungry amidst plenty, as people are here in the United States," she felt she needed to get involved.

The class, offered every other fall, gives students a chance to research and photograph examples of hunger in Harrisonburg. Students kept blogs leading up to the final art show opening on Dec. 7 that tracked their progress throughout the course. The class is an example of the "place-based education" model that encourages students to make a difference in Harrisonburg community.

Allison Church, a 2005 alumna taking additional courses, photographed food pantries in the Harrisonburg area like First Baptist Church, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Salvation Army Harrisonburg and Emmanuel Episcopal Food Pantry.

"I'm trying to give more visibility to the pantries," Church said. "I'm hoping that viewers will see that

there are several places to go locally if they need help, or if they're able to help by donating food, money or their time."

The overall goal of the project was to expand the students' perspectives beyond the local problem to nationwide and global hunger. According to Feeding America's 2010 study, one in six Americans suffer from hunger.

"It's sometimes hard to grasp [hunger] as a student when you are more focused on school and socializing," Estabrook said. "But this class helped me to learn that take a step back and you can be more appreciative of what you have."

The eight student artists from Diop's "The Photograph as a Document" course will be returning to unveil a new hunger-themed exhibition in Prism Gallery Thursday, Feb. 7 at 5:30 p.m. The exhibit will touch on local hunger and global hunger, with a presentation from photojournalists Peter Menzel and Faith D'Aluisio in the Festival Ballroom after the exhibit.

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9 Sullivan and Bradley
12 “___ You There, Chelsea?”
13 “___ Attraction”; movie for Glenn Close and Michael Douglas
14 One of the Three Stooges
15 Reiner or Lowe
16 Picture border
17 Sandwich type, for short
18 Setting for “M*A*S*H”
20 Carter of “Gimme a Break!” and her namesakes
22 “American Idol” judge
26 Zeal
27 Aunt in “The Wizard of Oz” and others
28 “___ to Pieces”; hit song for Peter and Gordon
29 Pig’s home
32 Artist’s stand
35 Fred Gwynne sitcom
39 Trigger or Mister Ed
40 Tows
42 “___ Life to Live”

DOWN

1 Actor Harmon
2 “___ With a View”; film for Daniel Day-Lewis
3 Ray Barone’s wife
4 “Family ___”; Brian Keith series
5 “Master and Commander: The ___ Side of the World”; movie for Russell Crowe
6 Give ___ go; attempt
7 Ewe’s mate
8 Actress Verdugo
9 Symbol; badge
10 Parton and others
11 ___ up; arranges
19 Historical period
21 Before, to a poet
23 French farewell
24 Paul of “Crocodile Dundee”
25 Actress Marcia
29 Mick Jagger and the others
30 “___ Company”
31 “Say ___ to the Dress”
33 Merman and Waters
34 Actor Nicholas ___
36 “___ Trees”
37 Buzzi and Westheimer
38 “The Big ___”; Humphrey Bogart movie
39 “Rabbit ___”; Nicole Kidman film
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45 Suffix for wind or sand
46 Down in the dumps

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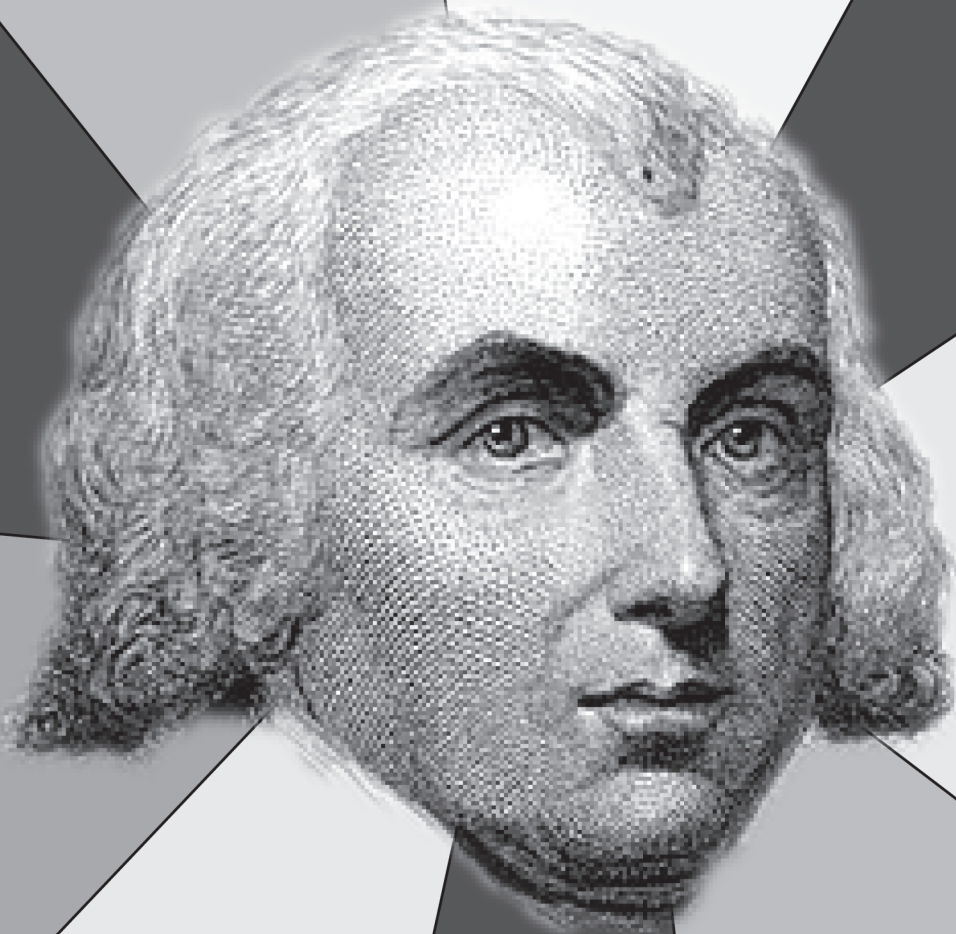
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